## FEEDBACK NETWORK

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SUBJECT LINE: HCA Announces Three Apparently Successful Applicants for the Accountable Care Program (ACP)

Dear Feedback Network Member,

Earlier this week HCA selected three apparently successful applicants (ASAs) for the Accountable Care Program (ACP):

- UW Medicine Accountable Care Network
- Providence-Swedish Health Alliance
- Puget Sound High Value Network (lead by Virginia Mason Medical Center)

HCA will enter negotiations with the three ASAs starting in mid-March. Successful applicant(s) will be announced in April 2015 and will manage the ACP over the next five years.

The ACP will be a new PEBB option offered to state employees and their families starting on January 1, 2016.

The ACP is a core element of Healthier Washington's value-based purchasing strategy. Through Healthier Washington, HCA is testing four new payment models that move toward a reimbursement system that achieves value as defined by the Triple Aim (better care, better health, lower costs). It is also known as the "Paying for Value" strategy within Healthier Washington.

The ACP is one of the new payment models (Model Test 3). An ACP is a formal network of providers and health systems that will:

- Provide 'best in class' patient service and experience access to high-quality and timely service at lower costs to enrolled PEBB members.
- Deliver integrated physical, mental health and substance abuse services for defined populations.
- Assume financial and clinical accountability for a defined population of PEBB members.

The ACP(s) will be reimbursed based on their ability to deliver quality care and keep PEBB members healthy, not on whether they performed a specific test or service. Starting in 2017, HCA will work with other private and public employers to replicate the payment model, to further accelerate market transformation.

The ACP plan offering is a major step to achieving Healthier Washington's purchasing goals of moving 80 percent of state purchased health care away from fee-for-service to value-based purchasing by 2019.

More information on the ACP model can be found on the "Paying for Value" webpage.

REMINDER: The Medicaid Transformation Introductory webinar is this coming Tuesday, March 10. Please join us live or view the slides and recording later on the Medicaid Transformation webpage.

Thank you for your interest in a Healthier Washington and for helping make Washington a healthy place to live, work, and play!

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